

FISCAL NOTE

SB 232 - HB 303

February 13, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Amends offenses of sexual exploitation of a minor, aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor, and especially aggravated sexual exploitation of a minor to include prohibitions where the material included a person represented to be a minor engaged in sexual activity or simulated sexual activity that is patently offensive. Currently, the material may infer the participant is a minor; however, this inference can be overcome by proving the person in the material is actually an adult. The bill would remove this defense.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$30,900/Incarceration*

Assumes the addition of one Class E felony conviction each year, one Class C felony conviction each year and one Class B felony conviction every three years.

**Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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